IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA WHEELING DIVISION

DIANA MEY, individually and on behalf of a proposed class,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 5:23-cv-46 Judge John P. Bailey

LEVIN, PAPANTONIO, RAFFERTY, PROCTOR, BUCHANAN, O'BRIEN, BARR & MOUGEY P.A.; PRINCIPAL LAW GROUP, LLC; MCM SERVICES GROUP LLC; AND JOHN DOE DEFENDANTS 1-5,

Defendants.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT PRINCIPAL LAW GROUP, LLC

Now comes Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP ("Benesch") and respectfully moves this Court for permission to withdraw as counsel for Defendant Principal Law Group, LLC ("PLG") and to substitute Sutter O'Connell and Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso PLLC (Sutter O'Connell and Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso, together, "New Counsel") as PLG's counsel of record in place of Joseph R. Blalock, David M. Krueger, and John N. Dagon of Benesch (Blalock, Krueger, and Dagon, collectively, "Benesch").

New Counsel certifies that it has provided written notice of this substitution to PLG and that PLG has consented to Benesch's withdrawal and to substitution of New Counsel. New Counsel also certifies that it has notified all parties of this substitution.

New Counsel have already filed notices of appearance in the above-captioned matter. (*See* Doc. 34 (Notice of Appearance by James M. Popson of Sutter O'Connell), Doc. 35 (Notice of Appearance by Alonzo D. Washington of Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso), and Doc. 36 (Motion

for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice for Kevin W. Kita of Sutter O'Connell).) It is PLG's desire that New Counsel continue representing PLG, substituting for Benesch.

For the foregoing reasons, Attorneys Joseph R. Blalock, David M. Krueger, and John N. Dagon of Benesch respectfully move the Court for permission to withdraw as counsel of record for Defendant Principal Law Group, LLC, and to substitute James M. Popson and Kevin W. Kita of Sutter O'Connell) and Alonzo D. Washington of Flaherty Sensabaugh & Bonasso PLLC as new counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Joseph R. Blalock, counsel for Defendant Principal Law Group, LLC, do hereby certify on this 2nd day of August, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing "MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT PRINCIPAL LAW GROUP, LLC" was electronically filed with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send information of such filing to all counsel of record.

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